

California OES Weather Threat Briefing

Thursday, March 4, 2021
9:00 AM PST

Day 1 (Thursday): Strong and gusty winds will develop across the northern California mountains today into tonight, with gusts of 50-60+ mph expected.

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WEATHER KEY POINTS

03/04/21 - 03/10/21

Thursday

- Strong, gusty south winds developing over the northern California mountains today into tonight, strongest across northwest California and central Siskiyou County where gusts of 50-60+ mph are expected

Friday-Wednesday

- Periods of strong winds will continue Friday and Saturday, mainly across the Sierra with gusts of 40-50+ mph
- Next round of rain and mountain snow moves into northern California Friday, spreading south into central portions of the state late Friday night into Saturday
 - Snow levels varying between 4,000 and 5,000 feet for most areas, with accumulation of 4-10 inches above 5,000 feet through Saturday night
 - Some locally heavy rainfall of 1 to 3 inches is possible across northwest California Friday night through midday Saturday
- Additional rounds of rain and mountain snow will arrive Sunday night and continue through at least the middle of next week



CALIFORNIA WEATHER IMPACTS

03/04/21 - 03/10/21

<u>Hazards / Day</u>	THU	FRI	SAT	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE
Non-Thunderstorm Damaging Winds	Coastal/ Interior	Coastal/ Interior	Interior				
Snow		Coastal/ Interior	Coastal/ Interior	Coastal/ Interior	Coastal/ Interior	Interior	Interior
Coastal Flooding							
River Flooding							
Thunderstorms (Wind / Hail / Tornadoes)							
Fire Weather (Low Humidity / Wind / Dry Thunderstorms)							
Heat Risk							
Heavy Rain/Flash Flooding/ Debris Flow			Coastal (Northwest CA)				
Cold							



No Impacts



Minimal Impacts



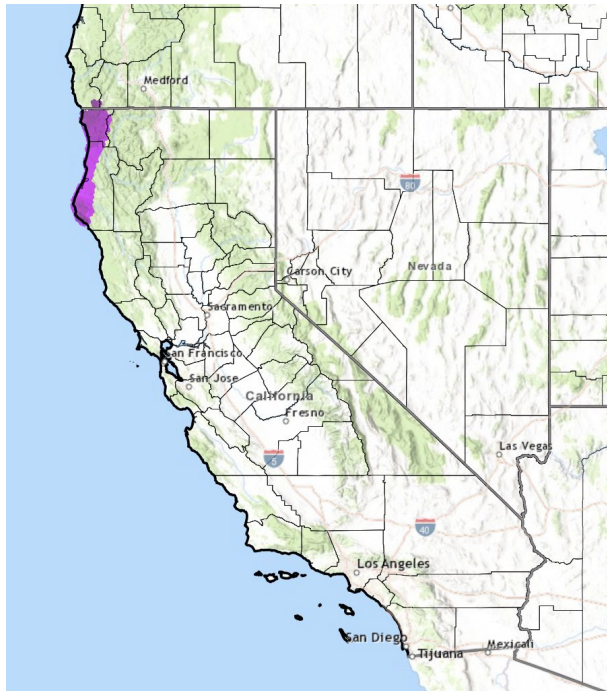
Moderate Impacts



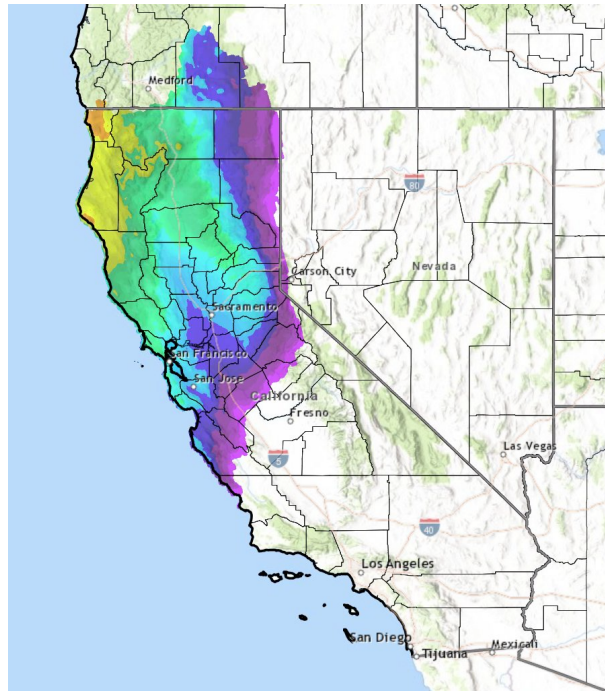
Severe Impacts

PRECIPITATION FORECAST

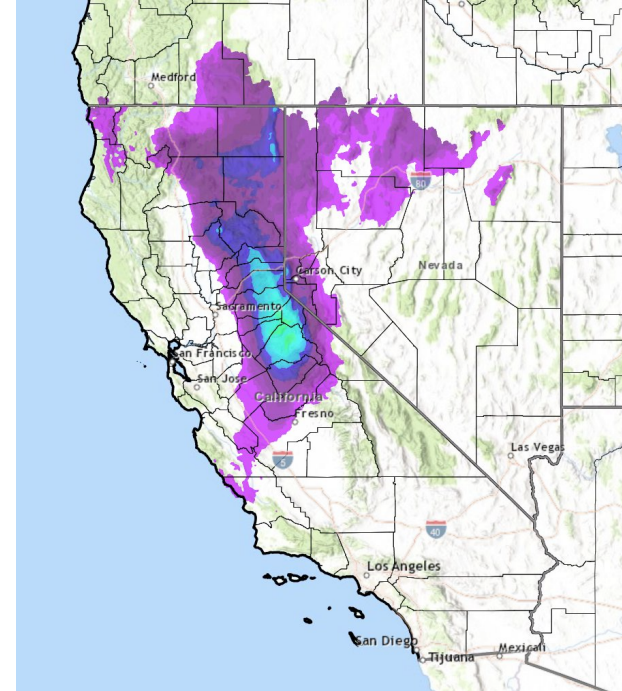
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Thursday



Friday



Saturday

Precipitation (inches)



WEATHER OUTLOOK

03/09/21 - 03/17/21

6-10 Day Outlook (March 9 – March 13)

Temperatures

- Below normal temperatures are strongly favored statewide

Precipitation

- Above normal precipitation is favored statewide

8-14 Day Outlook (March 11 – March 17)

Temperatures

- Below normal temperatures are strongly favored statewide

Precipitation

- Above normal precipitation is favored for the majority of the state, with the exception of far southern California where near normal precipitation is favored



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